Entered - 3-21-01 - sb CL - 01L0186 ALEXIS HOLMES

CLAIM OF: JIMMIE MCCLARIN

Through his Attorney

Craig Miller, Esq.

Kaufman, Chaiken Miller & Klorfein

Suite 720

400 Perimeter Center Terrace, NE Atlanta, Georgia 30346-1234

For damages alleged to have been sustained as a result of a vehicular incident when police were pursing a suspect on November 30, 2000 at 1255 Bankhead Highway.

THIS ADVERSE REPORT IS APPROVED

BY:

ROSALIND RUBENS NEWELL DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY

DEPARTMENT OF LAW - CLAIM INVESTIGATION SUMMARY

Claim No. 01L0186	Date: <u>6/29/01</u>
Claimant /Victim JIMMIE MCCLARIN	
BY: (Atty)(Ins.) Kaufman, Chaiken, Miller & Klorfein	
Address: Suite 720 400 Perimeter Center Terran	nce, NE Atlanta, Georgia 30346-1234
Subrogation Claim for Property damage \$	Bodily Injury \$ Unspecified
Date of Notice: 3/22/01 Method: Written	i, proper X Improper
Conforms to Notice: O.C.G.A. §36-33-5 X	Ante Litem (6 Mo.) X
Date of Occurrence 11/30/00 Place: 1	255 Bankhead Highway MARTA Station
Department Police Division:	Field Operations Division
Address: Suite 720 400 Perimeter Center Terran Subrogation Claim for Property damage \$	Disciplinary Action: Pending
NATURE OF CLAIM: The claimant alleges that a City of Atlanta police officer driving in pursuit of a suspect struck him. The City extended an offer of \$2,000.00, and the claimant's attorney rejected the City's offer.	
INVESTIGATION:	
Statements: City employee Claimant PicturesX Diagrams Reports: Police	Other Written X Oral
Traffic citations issued: City Driver	Claimant Driver
Traffic citations issued: City DriverCitation disposition: City DriverC	Claimant Driver
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BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:	
Function: Governmental X More than Six Months City not involved Offer rejected	//inisterial
Improper Notice More than Six Months	Other Damages reasonable
City not involved Offer rejected	X Compromise settlement
Repair/replacement by Ins. Co.	Repair/replacement by City Forces
Claimant Negligent City Negligent	Joint Claim Abandoned
Respectfully submitted,	
	TIGATOR - ALEXIS HOLMES
RECOMMENDATION:	
Pay \$ Adverse X Account c	harged: 1A01 2J01 2H01
Claims Manager: June Cutture	Concur/date 06-19-01
Committee Action:	Council Action

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March 14, 2001

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED **CERTIFICATE NO. 7099 3400 0010 1073 9065**

Ms. Diane Mitchell City of Atlanta Department of Law 68 Mitchell Street, S.W. **Suite 4100** Atlanta, Georgia 30335-0332

> ANTE LITEM NOTICE Re:

> > Our Client: Jimmy McClarin Date of Incident: November 30, 2000

Place of Incident: Bankhead Marts Station at Bankhead Highway and Ashby Street

Our File No.: 5611-001

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Please be advised that this law firm represents Mr. Jimmy McClarin in all matters pertaining to bodily injuries he sustained on November 30, 2000, at approximately 5:50 p.m. While walking along the sidewalk toward the entrance to the Bankhead Marta Station, Mr. McClarin was struck by two motor vehicles alongside 1225 Bankhead Highway in Atlanta, Georgia. The first vehicle which struck Mr. McClarin was being pursued by Officer W.A. Terrell, Atlanta Police Department ID# 2661 while he was operating a Atlanta Police car in the course of his employment by the City of Atlanta. Mr. McClarin was then struck a second time, just seconds later, by the aforementioned Atlanta Police car operated by Officer W.A. Terrell.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §36-33-5, the City of Atlanta is hereby given notice of Mr. McClarin's claim for damages arising from the above-referenced incident. A copy of the Police Report is enclosed.

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The nature and extent of Mr. McClarin's injuries are as follows:

- 1. Broken left leg, lacerations;
- 2. Left arm, elbow and shoulder bruised and dislocated;
- 3. Right knee bruises, lacerations and torn flesh;
- 4. Mobility was non-existent for months and is limited now; and
- 5. Mr. McClarin remains disabled from work at present.
- 6. Copies of photos are enclosed.

As a result of the second impact (i.e. the collision with the front of the vehicle operated by Atlanta Police Officer W.A. Terrell), Mr. McClarin was knocked down to the pavement and sustained multiple fractures to his left leg, as well as abrasions, contusions and injuries to his left arm and right leg. He was transported from the scene via ambulance to Grady Memorial Hospital where he remained hospitalized and immobile for several weeks.

The negligence which caused the injury is:

- a) Negligence in failing to apprehend the suspects before they entered their automobile; had the Atlanta Police done so, there would have been no chase and no injuries to Mr. McClarin.
- b) Negligence in continuing the chase into a zone of high population density (i.e. a Marta Station) where it was known that pedestrians would be nearby and in danger.
- c) Negligence in the operation of the police vehicle, leaving the roadway, striking a pedestrian upon the sidewalk.
- d) Negligence in failing to discontinue the chase of the suspects once they were in the vicinity of the Marta Station.
- e) Any other acts of negligence which the evidence may show.

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The amount of damages claimed is uncertain at this time, and specifying the amount is not required in this Notice. Maryon v. City of Atlanta, 149 Ga. 35, 99 S.E. 116 (1919), Mayor of Waynesboro v. Hargrove, 111 Ga. App. 26, 140 S.E.2d 286 (1965), Tanner v. City of Gainesville, 162 Ga. App. 405, 290 S.E.2d, 541 (1982).

Very truly yours,

Craig D. Miller

CDM/jhh Enclosure

cc: Jimmy McClarin